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Supplementary information on the *luzonica*-group of the genus *Cricula* on the Philippines — further mislabelled specimens (Lepidoptera, Saturniidae)

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NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY (2011: 191) reported on two specimens of the *luzonica*-group of the genus *Cricula* WALKER, 1855 in coll. S. NAUMANN, Berlin (discovered just shortly before finishing the manuscript), with label data: “Negros, Mt. Canlaon, x. 2007, leg. local collector, via A. SALDAITIS”. These specimens were clearly members of the *luzonica*-group (s. str.), and we expected that they possibly might represent an autochthonous population from Negros island.

However, the results of the mtDNA (COI gene, see NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY 2011; BC nos. 2147 + 2148 SNB) barcode analysis received in April 2011 showed that these two specimens fully fall within the variability range of *Cricula kareli* NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY, 1997 (no significant BC difference to other specimens; the BC sequences of both specimens are identical to that of BC no. 1061 SNB, see NJ trees in figs. 1a + 1b of NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY 2011: 190). Also the ♂ genitalia of these “Negros” specimens (GP nos. 2219/10 + 2220/10 SNB), differing slightly from those of the taxon *Cricula leyteana bayani* NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY, 2011 from Panay island, do not show significant differences to *C. kareli*.

We, therefore, have to state that these two “Negros” specimens, just like the singleton from “Mindoro” listed by NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY (2011: 189, note below type material of *C. halconensis*), are most likely mislabelled trader’s specimens, in both cases of *C. kareli* from Mindanao island, and do not represent autochthonous populations of the *luzonica*-group from other islands.

The tentative records for *C. leyteana bayani* for Negros island on pages 191, 192 (map), 193 (checklist) and 194/195 (legends) of NÄSSIG & TREADAWAY (2011) have to be deleted for that taxon. *C. leyteana bayani* is restricted (according to present knowledge) to Panay island; we do not know any reliable record of a member of the *luzonica*-group from Negros so far.

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